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Dear Mr. Weisberg, April 12, 1982

I want you to know I am aware of some of the criticisms you made of my book, MAFIA KINGFISH, as it related to you. I have your letters, copies of letters you sent to McGraw-Hill, and the criticisms you transmitted to Paul Hoch.

Be assured we are making the changes you wish in future editions including the foreign editions and the forthcoming paperback. No harm to your reputation was intended. The confusion arose out of unclear language.

Forgive me for not replying

to you sooner. I am far behind in my correspondence. I don't know when I'll ever catch up. I had to do scores of radio and television interviews, then update the book, correct it, and write a lengthy Afterword for the N.A.L. mass market paperback. In addition I took on some magazine article assignments. Frankly, I've been overwhelmed by work and an avalanche of mail.

Be assured I valued your contribution to my book immensely. I made an acknowledgement of this debt of gratitude to you on page 554 of the book.

With every good wish,

Sincerely, John M. Ford